University of Puerto Rico:

- 11 campuses
- 63,000 students
- 400 academic programs
- 18,000 to 20,000 admissions applications per year
- Centralized Admissions
- 40% for STEM
- 11 different configurations of access issues, characteristics, and strengths
Dimensions of Access:

- High School Graduation
- Application
- Admission
- Choice
- Retention–Persistence
- Success–Graduation
Access at UPR:

- 3 out of 4 from private schools apply
- 1 out of 3 from public schools apply
- IGS correlates with family income
UPRM profile:
Access and choice
UPRM profile:
Median IGS increases with family income
UPRM profile:
Focus populations
UPRM profile:
Focus Populations

Office Administration & Nursing
Focus population:
Dimensions of Access
106 admitted (1990-2006)

RUM: 54%  RUM Residenciales: 34%
“The barriers that stand in the way of broadening the participation of the URMs are built into our homes, schools, workplaces, communities and psyches. Most would have fallen decades ago if they were not deeply embedded in our institutions and behavior. The challenge of removing them...is a shared task for which there is no single point of accountability.”


“Higher education... has become a mechanism for reinforcing social class, rather than a vehicle for fostering social mobility.”


“Desarrollar a plenitud la riqueza intelectual y espiritual latente en nuestro pueblo, a fin de que los valores de la inteligencia y del espíritu de las personalidades excepcionales que surgen de todos sus sectores sociales, especialmente los menos favorecidos en recursos económicos, puedan ponerse al servicio de la sociedad puertorriqueña.”

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